

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application. Claims 1-30 are pending in the application. No claims have been amended. No claims have been added. Claims 6-23 and 28-30 have been canceled.

The Examiner provisionally rejected Claims 1-5 and 24-27 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-5 and 24-27 of copending Application No. 10/104,837. Accordingly, Applicants have filed herewith a terminal disclaimer to overcome the Examiner's provisional rejection of obviousness-type double patenting.

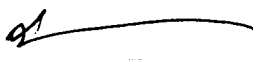
Applicants respectfully submit that the provisional rejection for double patenting has been overcome by the terminal disclaimer and the remarks, and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested. Applicants submit that Claims 1-5 and 24-27 are now in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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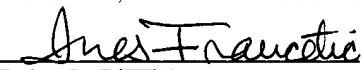
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